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EL DORADO COUNTY MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO
FELONY SOCIAL SECURITY FRAUD

SACRAMENTO--United States Attorney McGregor W. Scott announced today that CALBERT REYNOLD CAESAR, 60, of El Dorado County, California, pled guilty today before United States District Judge Lawrence K. Karlton to stealing U.S. Social Security Administration funds.

This case is the product of extensive investigation by the U. S. Social Security Administration, Office of the Inspector General.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Michelle Rodriguez, who is prosecuting the case, CAESAR admitted that from 1999 through July 2003, among other things, he claimed to be separated from his wife in order to receive increased social security benefits. During the relevant time period, CAESAR obtained nearly \$30,000 in social security funds that he was not entitled to receive. According to the plea agreement in this case, CAESAR will make full restitution to the United States for his theft of Social Security Administration funds.

CAESAR is scheduled to be sentenced for his fraud offense on March 21, 2006. The maximum penalty he faces is five years imprisonment, a three-year term of supervised release, and a fine of up to \$250,000.

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